

USDA Ranking Pool Report

Ranking Pool: FY23 SGI-Sage Grouse Initiative

Program: EQIP

Pool Status: Active

States: WA (Admin)

Template: Working Lands for Wildlife (WLFW) Sage-Grouse Initiative (SGI) Greater Sage-Grouse (GRSG)

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Land Uses and Modifiers

Land Use	Grazed	Wildlife	Irrigated	Hayed	Drained	Organic	Water Feature	Protected	Urban	Aquaculture
Crop	--	x	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Range	--	x	N/A	--	N/A	--	--	--	--	--
Pasture	--	x	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Associated Ag Land	--	x	--	--	N/A	--	--	--	--	--

Resource Concern Categories

Categories			
Category	Min %	Default %	Max %
Degraded plant condition	10	10	65
Livestock production limitation	0	10	65
Terrestrial habitat	35	80	90

Degraded plant condition			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Plant productivity and health	0	50	100
Plant structure and composition	0	50	100

Livestock production limitation			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Feed and forage balance	0	50	100
Inadequate livestock water quantity, quality and distribution	0	50	100

Terrestrial habitat			
Resource Concern	Min %	Default %	Max %
Terrestrial habitat for wildlife and invertebrates	100	100	100

Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Type
Brush Management	314	Conservation Practices
Herbaceous Weed Treatment	315	Conservation Practices
Conservation Cover	327	Conservation Practices
Cover Crop	340	Conservation Practices
Critical Area Planting	342	Conservation Practices
Pond	378	Conservation Practices
Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment and Renovation	380	Conservation Practices
Fence	382	Conservation Practices
Fuel Break	383	Conservation Practices
Woody Residue Treatment	384	Conservation Practices
Irrigation Field Ditch	388	Conservation Practices
Riparian Herbaceous Cover	390	Conservation Practices
Riparian Forest Buffer	391	Conservation Practices
Firebreak	394	Conservation Practices
Grade Stabilization Structure	410	Conservation Practices
Wildlife Habitat Planting	420	Conservation Practices
Irrigation Pipeline	430	Conservation Practices
Irrigation System, Microirrigation	441	Conservation Practices
Access Control	472	Conservation Practices
Mulching	484	Conservation Practices
Tree/Shrub Site Preparation	490	Conservation Practices
Obstruction Removal	500	Conservation Practices
Forage Harvest Management	511	Conservation Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Type
Pasture and Hay Planting	512	Conservation Practices
Livestock Pipeline	516	Conservation Practices
Pond Sealing or Lining, Geomembrane or Geosynthetic Clay Liner	521	Conservation Practices
Pond Sealing or Lining, Flexible Membrane	521A	Conservation Practices
Pond Sealing or Lining, Soil Dispersant	521B	Conservation Practices
Pond Sealing or Lining, Bentonite Sealant	521C	Conservation Practices
Pond Sealing or Lining, Compacted Clay Treatment	521D	Conservation Practices
Prescribed Grazing	528	Conservation Practices
Pumping Plant	533	Conservation Practices
Grazing Land Mechanical Treatment	548	Conservation Practices
Range Planting	550	Conservation Practices
Access Road	560	Conservation Practices
Heavy Use Area Protection	561	Conservation Practices
Spring Development	574	Conservation Practices
Livestock Shelter Structure	576	Conservation Practices
Streambank and Shoreline Protection	580	Conservation Practices
Channel Bed Stabilization	584	Conservation Practices
Structure for Water Control	587	Conservation Practices
Pest Management Conservation System	595	Conservation Practices
Tree/Shrub Establishment	612	Conservation Practices
Watering Facility	614	Conservation Practices
Water Well	642	Conservation Practices
Restoration of Rare or Declining Natural Communities	643	Conservation Practices
Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management	644	Conservation Practices
Upland Wildlife Habitat Management	645	Conservation Practices
Structures for Wildlife	649	Conservation Practices
Road/Trail/Landing Closure and Treatment	654	Conservation Practices

Practice Name	Practice Code	Practice Type
Wetland Restoration	657	Conservation Practices

Ranking Weights

Factors	Algorithm	Allowable Min	Default	Allowable Max
Vulnerabilities	Default	15	15	40
Planned Practice Effects	Default	10	10	15
Resource Priorities	Default	20	50	60
Program Priorities	Default	5	15	15
Efficiencies	Default	10	10	10

Display Group: FY23 SGI Sage Grouse Initiative (Active)



An asterisk will be displayed to show that it is a conditional section or conditional question.

Survey: Applicability Questions

Section: Location		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Washington Central and East Areas only	Central and East Areas only	--
	No	--

Survey: Category Questions

Section: Category Question		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Application is for FY23 SGI Sage Grouse Initiative? (if not, STOP this ranking and decline this pool)	YES	--
	NO	--

Survey: Program Questions

Section: Program Questions		
Question	Answer Choices	Points
Is the offered land converting existing cropland over to native habitat (550, 327, 420) or maintaining expiring CRP? 40 points	YES	40
	NO	0

Section: Program Questions

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Distance from LEK buffer? 100 pts possible	LEK within PLU 100	100
	Distance from LEK buffer? within 5280 feet of LEK 75	75
	Distance from LEK buffer? within 2 miles of LEK 50	50
	Distance from LEK buffer? within 3 miles of LEK 25	25
	Distance from LEK buffer? within 4 miles of LEK 10	10
	Otherwise, Greater than 4 miles to a LEK	--
Is the offered land adjacent to native range, Introduced pasture, or existing CRP/SAFE 30 points	YES	30
	NO	0
Applications Planned Land Unit is an existing ACEP-ALE, GRP, or FRPP easement. Point value 10 pts	YES	10
	NO	0
Does the application include one of the following conservation practices; 340, 500, 528, 643, 649? 20 points	YES	20
	NO	0

Survey: Resource Questions

Section: Resource Questions

Question	Answer Choices	Points
Enrolled Acreage- What is the percentage of the range and pastureland associated with the operation that is contained in the conservation plan? Only choose one answer (max 50 points). Acreage must be greater than 0.	All eligible range and pastureland is enrolled = 50 points	50
	More than 50% of eligible range and pastureland enrolled = 25 points	25
	Less than 50% of eligible range and pastureland enrolled = 15	15
	None of the Above	0
Habitat priority- Does the PLU intersect a priority area (s) for conservation layer for SGI? State SGI priority areas for conservation spatial data layers are used to determine priority areas 1-3.	Any PLU intersects priority 1 area = 100 points	100
	Any PLU intersects priority 2 area = 50 points	50
	Any PLU intersects priority 3 area = 25 pts	25
	Otherwise	0
Threats Addressed- Do the planned practices address threats that were identified for sage grouse? Use state specific SGI Threats Checklist or SGI Wildlife Habitat Evaluation Guide for determination. Only choose one answer (50 points max). At least one identified threat must be addressed.	All identified threats addressed = 50 points	50
	More than 75% of identified threats addressed = 40 points	40
	More than 50% of identified threats addressed = 25	25
	Less than 50% of identified threats addressed = 15 points	15
	None of the Above	0